

ABSTRACT

An on-line accessible information management system for management of environmental, safety and regulatory compliance issues provides smart links to major information centers for any industry to provide easy access to relevant information. The system of the subject invention is designed to assist the user in determining the regulatory requirements of a relevant industry, provide the resources for complying with the requirements, prepare reports, and electronically submit the reports to agencies having on-line reporting capability. The system is secure for each user, but will permit the sharing of public data in order to increase each user's data base. The system of the invention also includes a digital library providing each user with a full complement of regulatory information and research services. The system provides data collection, calculation, and reporting capabilities for environmental and regulatory compliance. Client data is collected from a variety of sources and locations by a data collection module through a variety of means and is entered into the system database. A companion database, the system library, is maintained by an automated harvesting engine which updates the library with the latest statutory and regulatory information from all levels of government, as well as any forms or other necessary information. The system library is also populated with various constants and curves which are used in calculations.